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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 2, line 5 as follows:

A sheet processing apparatus for stitching a sheet stack is adapted to stack sheets on a processing tray in bundles and move a stapler serving as stitching means to perform a one position stitch or a multiple-position stitch (usually a two-position stitch). While a stitching action is performed, sheets of the next job cannot be stacked on the processing tray. Consequently, sheets are required to be supplied on the basis of job unit in which the stitching action is performed.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 2, line 15 as follows:

In a sheet processing apparatus which performs stitch processing other than the needle stitch processing, sheets are required to be supplied at intervals on the basis of a job unit while the processing is applied to the sheets.

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Please amend the paragraph starting at page ~~4~~<sup>4</sup>, line 16 as follows:

In addition, since the conventional sheet processing apparatus 10 discharges sheets with the oscillation roller pair 18, a discharge action of sheets is irregular to cause unevenness in the of time required for sheet discharge.

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